

## Message Text

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ACTION SS-25

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R 250757Z JUL 78  
FM AMCONSUL HONG KONG  
TO USLO PEKING  
SECSTATE WASHDC 1976  
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USMISSION GENEVA

S E C R E T HONG KONG 9852

EXDIS

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: CVIS, SREF, SHUM, PINS, ET, US, UK, HK  
SUBJ: ETHIOPIAN STUDENTS IN PRC

REF: HONG KONG 9583

1. ETHIOPIAN STUDENTS SEQUAR AND ASFAW RETURNED TO PRC JULY  
24 ENROUTE PEKING VIA CANTON BY TRAIN.

2. SEQUAR DECIDED SUNDAY TO GIVE UP IDEA OF POLITICAL  
ASYLUM BECAUSE OF POSSIBLE RETRIBUTION TO HIS FAMILY IN  
ETHIOPIA. ASFAW UNWILLING CONTINUE ALONE SO HE DECIDED  
RETURN PEKING ALSO.

3. PAIR GIVEN HK\$500 FOR RETURN TRAIN FARE, FOOD BY  
IRC HONG KONG.

4. APPEARS UNLIKELY BRIEF ABSENCE WILL BE NOTED BY  
AUTHORITIES IN PEKING.  
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